Credibility of National Human Rights Commission

3633. PROF. VIJAY KUMAR MALHOTRA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a question mark has been put on the credibility of the National Human Rights Commission as reported in the news-item entitled "Manavadhikar Ayog Ki saakh par prashan chin", appearing in the 'Nav Bharat Times' dated the 1st April, 1995;

(b) if so, the facts thereof; and

(c) the action Government propose to take thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) to (c) The National Human Rights Commission had deputed its Investigation Wing to visit places around Muzzafarnagar, Dehhradun and Mussorie and received complaints about illegal detention, atrocities committed by the Police during curfew etc. However, in the meantime the Allahabad High Court directed the CBI to undertake investigation into the incidents connecte dwith the Uttarakhand agitation. With a view to avoiding duplication of work and any confusion, the National Human Rights Commission considered it appropriate to obtain information from the CBI as to whether the particular complaints received by the Commission have been taken up by the CBI for investigation, instead of continuing a parallel investigation. In view of this there is no question of putting any question mark on the credibility of the National Human Rights Commission as reported in the news-item entitled "Manvadhikar Ayog Ki saakh par prashan chin" appearing in the Nav Bharat Times dated the 1st April, 1995.

Nexus between police personnel and gangsters in Delhi

3634. PROF. VIJAY KUMAR MALHOTRA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry of Home Affairs have drawn up any plans to combat gangsters in and around Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the extent and the manner in which the same would be beneficial;

(d) the estimated number of gangsters operating in Delhi and from which part of the country or outside do they belong;

(e) whether there is any nexus between the police personnel posted in Uttar Pradesh bordering the Capital and the gangsters; and

(f) if so, how many cases have come to light and the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. M. SAYEED): (a) to (c) Government have constituted a Special Cell in the Ministry of Home Affairs to interact regularly with States adjoining Delhi for prevention of heinous crimes in and around Delhi. Besides, quarterly Inter-State coordination meetings between police officers of Delhi and neighbouring States of U.P. and Haryana are held regularly. In these meetings criminal intelligence is exchanged and strategies for field operations discussed.

It is expected that these measures will result in effective control over heinous crimes in and around Delhi.

(d) Estimates of the number of gangsters operating in Delhi are not available.

(e) Delhi Police have reported that no such instance has come to their notice.

(f) Does not arise in view of (e) above.

Equipping the Delhi Police to solve crimes

3635. PROF. VIJAY KUMAR MALHOTRA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state: